

National Institute for Health and Care Excellence

IP2021 Phrenic nerve pacing for ventilator-dependent high cervical spinal cord injury

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Com . no.	Consultee name and organisation	Sec. no.	Comments [sic]	Response
1.	Consultee 1 BSSFN	General	This is not within the remit of Neurosurgical practice in the UK	Thank you for your comment. Evidence shows that this procedure can be done by neurosurgeons.
2.	Consultee 2 Lambert and Butler	General	i see this as a good way to control quality of life. but i also think in a way this could make the patient worse. because if they are struggling to breathe. then the receiver pulsates it could cause further respiratory issues. in my opinion this new way of quality of life should go into trial first to see results that can go on to improve patients lives	Thank you for your comment. The Committee makes recommendations based on its assessment of the evidence on the efficacy and safety of that individual interventional procedure. The rationale behind the recommendations is detailed in the guidance ('why the committee made these recommendations').

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